Application No. 09/825,249 Amendment dated December 13, 2004 Response to Office Action mailed August 12, 2004

Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 1 line 11 and ending on page 1 line 20 with the

following amended paragraph:

This application is related to (1) U.S. Patent Application No. <u>09/812,536</u>

(Attorney Docket No. SUNMP002A), filed March 19, 2001, and "Method and Apparatus for

Providing Application Specific Strategies to a Java Platform including Start and Stop

SUNMP002B), filed March 19, 2001, and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Providing

Application Specific Strategies to a Java Platform including Load Balancing Policies," and

(3) U.S. Patent Application No. <u>09/818,214</u> (Attorney Docket No. SUNMP005)

filed March 26, 2001, and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Managing Replicated and

Migration Capable Session State for A Java Platform." Each of these related application is

incorporated herein be reference.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 18 line 1 and ending on page 18 line 9 with the

following amended paragraph:

During application design, application designer partitions the replicated and migration

capable state of an application using State Management Units of different types and State

Partition. Such state partitioning may be specified using an application configuration

descriptor or done dynamically through control module. The repository maintains a

representation for the static partitioning of state using schema archives. Schema archives are

described in greater detail in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/818,214

(Attorney Docket No. SUNMP005), filed March 26, 2001, and entitled "Method and

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Apparatus for Managing Replicated and Migration Capable Session State for A Java

Platform," which is incorporated herein be reference in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 19 line 18 and ending on page 20 line 5 with the

following amended paragraph:

The control module 550 is a part of a Java application that provides control and

application-specific policies for the application. The control module 550 is described in

greater detail in related U.S. Patent Application No. 09/812,536—

Docket No. SUNMP002A), filed March 19, 2001, and entitled "Method and Apparatus for

Providing Application Specific Strategies to a Java Platform including Start and Stop

Policies," which is incorporated by reference in its entirety. The control module 550 is

responsible for supervising the J2EE server 204 and the EJB modules at application runtime.

Since the RSM is part of application runtime for a J2EE server process 204, J2EE server 204

activates the RSM as part of the start J2EE server process 502, the upgrade module process

504, and the move module process 506. The control module 550 interacts with the J2EE

server 204, which in turn drives uses cases for RSM.

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